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ALEA Media Request Policy

The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) welcomes all media opportunities and requests. This policy governs when ALEA will grant permission to members of the media to interview ALEA Troopers or support staff.

Members of the media must secure permission from ALEA's Office of External Affairs to conduct any interview. ALEA will consider reasonable requests for news-related, non-commercial interviews and tapings but reserves the right to deny requests.

The following guidelines apply to all members of the media who are engaged in acquiring news with the intent to disseminate it through legitimate and recognized mediums and who request permission to conduct an interview, film, videotape, or photograph.

- 1. Members of the media must submit all requests for permission to conduct an interview, film, videotape or photograph with an ALEA Trooper or a member of ALEA's support staff by contacting the Office of External Affairs from Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., by telephone (334-517-2917) e-mail (media.relations@alea.gov), or speaking directly to an External Affairs and Public Information staff member.
- 2. Requests for permission to conduct an interview, film, videotape or photograph must be made at least 1-2 business days before the proposed interview, filming, videotaping, or photographing. In the case of breaking news where a 1-2 business day lead time is not feasible, requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- 3. Requests for permission to conduct an interview, film, videotape, or photograph made directly to the subject are in violation of these guidelines and may not be honored.
- 4. Members of the media must be accompanied by an ALEA External Affairs and Public Information staff member when performing interviews.